

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re the Application of

Yasushi OHKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2854

Application No.: 10/724,156

Examiner:

M. Crenshaw

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IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

CONFIRMATION OF TELEPHONE ELECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A telephone requirement for restriction was made in connection with the above-identified patent application on October 4, 2004.

The undersigned confirms that in response to that telephone requirement, a provisional election was made to prosecute Group I, claims 1-15.

Said provisional election was specifically made with traverse since no basis therefor has been set forth in the written record.

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